



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U.S. Patent Application of )

WATANABE et al. )

Art Unit 2818

Application Number: 10/773,437 )

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FOR: OPTICAL RECORDING METHOD USING )  
MULTIPLEXER AND PLURAL PIECES OF )  
DATA BITS (AS AMENDED) )

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Independent Claims	3	3	(Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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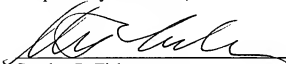
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 25, 2007, the period of response to which is set to expire on August 25, 2007. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: